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By ECF

The Honorable Madeline Cox Arleo United States District Judge Martin Luther King Building & U.S. Courthouse 50 Walnut Street Newark, New Jersey 07101

> Re: United States v. Borough of Woodcliff Lake et al., Civil Action No. 2:18-cv-10511 (MCA) (CLW)

Dear Judge Arleo:

We write on behalf of all parties to request reassignment of the above-referenced matter. This case, which alleges a violation of the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, arises out of the same facts and names two of the same defendants as a lawsuit filed by a private-party plaintiff, *Valley Chabad v. Borough of Woodcliff Lake et al.*, No. 2:16-cv-08087 (JLL) (JAD). The private-plaintiff litigation is currently pending before Chief Judge Linares and Magistrate Judge Dickson. In light of an anticipated request for consolidation of fact discovery, the parties to both cases agree that assignment of these cases to the same District Judge and Magistrate Judge would be most efficient.

Given the early stage of the above-referenced litigation, we respectfully request reassignment of this case to Chief Judge Linares and Magistrate Judge Dickson, who have presided over the ongoing discovery in the private-party matter.

We thank the Court for considering this request.

Respectfully submitted.

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